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## First Municipal Electric Car Charging Service in Miami-Dade County

-- It's the Latest Buzz in Miami Beach --

**MIAMI BEACH, FL** – The City of Miami Beach, through its partnership with Car Charging Group, Inc., launches the first municipal car-charging service in Miami-Dade County at the 13 Street and Collins Avenue Garage. CarCharging Group, Inc. is a nationwide provider of convenient electric vehicle (EV) charging services.

The EV stations are accessible to up to four parking spaces and cost \$0.49 per hour (not including parking). Users pay \$0.49 per hour (parking fees are not included) for EV Level II charging services. Level II provides rapid charging (approximately 4 to 6 hours). Qualified ILEV (Inherently Low Emission Vehicles) may receive a 50 percent discount on monthly parking fees in Miami Beach.

"Alternative transportation programs are part of Miami Beach's sustainable initiatives," said City of Miami Beach Mayor Matti Herrera Bower. "Offering CarCharging EV services to our residents and visitors demonstrates this commitment, and we are excited to expand our alternative fuel programs."

"We are proud to partner with the City of Miami Beach to provide EV charging services for the City's residents and visitors," said Michael D. Farkas, CEO of CarCharging. "Miami Beach is not only one of the most popular areas in South Florida, but the headquarters of CarCharging, and we are pleased to expand the City's support of low emission vehicles."

CarCharging's services utilize EV charging stations manufactured by ChargePoint®, known as Level II, which provide 240 volts with 32 amps of power to quickly refuel an electric vehicle's battery. EV drivers can easily request a CarCharging account online, and attach a small RFID card to their keychain to initiate use and payment at any intelligent CarCharging station. The CarCharging RFID card also allows drivers to use charging locations on the ChargePoint® Network, the largest national online network connecting EV drivers to EV charging stations. CarCharging stations also accept direct payment via credit card.

Users can pinpoint EV charging station locations using the CarCharging map at <a href="http://www.CarCharging.com/">http://www.CarCharging.com/</a>. The ChargePoint® mobile application for the iPhone, Android, and Blackberry phones also provides real-time charging station location information with turn-by-turn directions. Drivers will soon be able to reserve a time slot, guaranteeing access to EV charging stations to recharge their electric vehicle.

The 13 Street parking garage is located in the heart of the Art Deco District, one block west of Ocean Drive, and is available to the public 24 hours/day, every day of the week.

For more information about CarCharging, please visit <a href="www.CarCharging.com">www.CarCharging.com</a> or contact Suzanne Tamargo at 305.521.0200, extension 214 or Suzanne@carcharging.com.

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